

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appellants: Samy Ashkar and Jairo Salcedo

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the Decision by the Board of Patent Appeals, please amend the claims as follows. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.